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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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23/01/2015: Kenji, JA4GXS will once again be active as JA4GXS/5 from Shodo Island (AS-200) between 23-25 January. Plans are to be QRV on 40-15 metre CW and SSB. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

23/01/2015: On Friday, 23rd January, operators Finn OZ3FI, Henning OZ7HB and Jakob OU25AEI [aka OZ7AEI] will activate Himmerlandske heder (WWFF OZFF-075), Nordjylland. They will start approx noon and will go QRT at sunset. Note - Jakob, OZ7AEI will use the special callsign OU25AEI for all portable activations in 2015. This is for his 25th anniversery as a Ham. [OZ7AEI]

23/01/2015: Operators of SP9YFF team will be active from the 23rd till 25th of January 2015 from Mountain Ranges around the Gorce and Pieniny. They plan to activate: Myslenice 1 Castle (WCA SP-00794, ZWP MMQ02) located in Rezerwat Przyrody Zamczysko nad Raba (WWFF SPFF-0755, PGA MQ03). Czorsztyn Castle (WCA SP-00812, ZWP MNT01) located in Rezerwat Zamek Czorsztyn (WWFF SPFF-1035, PGA NT03). Rezerwat Przyrody Zielone Skalki (WWFF SPFF-0559, PGA NT07). Gorczanski Park Narodowy (WWFF SPFF-0007, PGA LI09). 2k Torfowiska Orawsko-Nowotarskie (WWFF SPFF-0560, PGA NT08). They plan to work on all bands as SP9YFF/p. Log will be uploaded to the WCA database, ZWP and LoTW. For detail information please visit: /www.sp9yff.pl [WCA]

23/01/2015: Ronald, W3PV gets on the air from Hamilton Parish, island of Bermuda (NA-005, WLOTA 0201), as W3PV/VP9 between 23-29 January. QRV on 40-6m (Grid Loc. FM72pi) on CW, JT9, and JT65. QSL via W3PV, direct or Bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. [DX Newsletter]

23/01/2015: Ken, K4ZW will be active again as XW4ZW from Vientiane, Laos, on 23-30 January. Plnas are to focus on the low bands. QSL via K1SE, direct or Bureau, and LoTW; logsearch on ClubLog. Website: www.qrz.com/db/XW4ZW [425 DX News]

24/01/2015: Radio-Club Cambresien, F8KGN, will activate the Cathedral notre dame de Cambrai (DCF 024) on Saturday, 24th January. QRV starting 09:00 local time on 40 metres. Other bands if conditions and propagation allow. QSL via direct or Bureau. [F6FNA]

24/01/2015: Once again operators Mek SP7VC, Ted SP3IPB and YL Kate SQ7OYL will be on a Caribbean tour but will also have operators Bogdan K2RPF, Zbyszek SP3CFM and Jerzy SP7TF join them. They plan to activate several islands between 24th January and 14th February, 2015. The tentative schedule, islands and callsigns have been announced: 24-26 January - Martinique (NA-107, DIFO FM-001, WLOTA 1041); FM/SP7VC and FM/SP7TF. 27 January to 3 February - St. Lucia (NA-108, WLOTA 1336); as J6/homecalls. 4-5 February - St. Vincent (NA-109, WLOTA 0492); as J8/homecalls. 6-7 February - Grenada (NA-024, WLOTA 0718); as J3/homecalls. 7-8 February - Carriccou island (NA-147, Grenada IOTA); as J3/homecalls. 8-9th February - Union island (NA-025, Grenadies IOTA); as J8/homecalls. 13-14 February -

Martinique (NA-107, DIFO FM-001, WLOTA 1041); as FM/homecalls. Activity will be holiday style on 160-6 metres using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Their equipment consists of TS-590, FT-847, FT-857 and with three Amp (500W). Antennas: Inv-L for 80-160m, 2 phased verticals 160/80/40m, HexBeam SP7IDX Technology, VDA antennas and verticals R-7000. QSL via their home calls. Watch for updates on Mek's Blog pages at: expedition.sp7vc.pl and www.sp7vc.dxing.pl [OPDX Bulletin]

24/01/2015: The KP1-5 Project and the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service have been working together on preparations for our joint 14 day visit to Navassa Island (NA-098, USi OI009S, WW Loc. FK28LJ) National Wildlife Refuge (WWFF KFF-131). Although the actual dates may still vary, it now appears they will begin transport to the island during the last week of January 2015. Also, it is official...the call sign will be K1N. An excellent team of fifteen operators who will be manning eight stations 24 hours/day, dedicated to giving out as many contacts as possible over the two week period. Team members are: George AA7JV, Ralph K0IR, Bob K4UEE, John K6MM, Craig K9CT, Tomi KT4TTT/HA7RY, Lou N2TU, George N4GRN, Mike N6MZ, Mike NA5U, Jeff NM1Y, Glenn W0GJ, John W2GD, Gregg W6IZT and Jerry WB9Z. This activation will also count for the Navassa Island Lighhouse (ARLHS NAV-001, Admiralty J5362). Further information, frequencies, QSL info and more can be found on their website at: www.navassadx.com/ [KF2TI]

24/01/2015: Tony, VK3VTH, plans to activate Brisband Ranges National Park (WWFF VKFF-055) on 24th January (0600z - 0800z) as VK3VTH/p, depending on wx conditions. QRV mainly on 14244 kHz, listening long-path for European stations. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. [DX Newsletter]

24/01/2015: Denis, ZL4DB will collect his VP8DOZ, South Georgia Island (AN-007, WWFF GFF-027) license in Stanley, Falkland Islands, around 24th January. Denis will arrive at King Edward Point, near Grytviken, around 27th January and will be tasked with providing comms for a helicopter operation as part of the South Georgia Habitat Restoration Project. His time for ham radio will be largely dictated by the weather. If its adverse for flying, then he'll be off to the shack. The operation is scheduled to end late March/early April, 2015. His rig is a TS-480 barefoot into a 17/20m GP. The TS-480 has auto-tuner so he may appear on other bands. He will only be operating SSB. QSL information will be posted on QRZ.com. Uploading to LOTW and eQSL is very unlikely. [DX-World]

26/01/2015: Karl, DK2WV will be active again as 7Q7VW from Radio Dinosaur FM - Karonga Museum (WW Loc. KI60XB), Malawi, from 26 January to 6 February. He plans to be QRV on 160-6 metres. Some suggested frequencies: 50.105MHz - 1.827 (1.817 only JA) - 3.507 - 7.007 SSB (QRM permitting). QSL via DK2WV. Website: www.qrz.com/db/7Q7VW [425 DX News]

26/01/2015: Gene, WI7N will be active holiday style as WI7N/4 from Dauphin Island (NA-213, USi AL002S), Mobile county, Alabama, on 26-28th January. It will be "a casual operation" with main activity during his evening hours. QSL via WI7N, direct or Bureau, and LoTW. [425 DX News]

27/01/2015: Jean-pierre F6ITD will be FG/F6ITD from Basse-Terre, Guadeloupe island between 27th January and 30th March, 2015. He will be QRV from Guadeloupe Island (NA-102, DIFO FG-019, WLOTA 0644, WWFF FFF-155) from 27th January to 1st February and from Desirade Island (NA-102, DIFO FG-004, WLOTA 1121) for the rest of the time. He will on the HF bands and 6m using SSB and the Digital modes. He will use the TO6D callsign during the week-end. The

logs will be uploaded to ClubLog and LoTW. [F6AJA]

30/01/2015: Joe, K5KUA will once again be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston Island (NA-143, USi TX001S), Galveston county, Texas, between 30th January and 1st February. Plans are to be QRV on 40-10 metre CW only, as time permits. QSL direct or Bureau to K5KUA. [rsgbiota.org]

30/01/2015: Chuck, W7AUM reports that he's going on a cruise with his 90 year old father to the Caribbean and plans to operate QRP/portable on white sand beaches as follows: Friday, 30th January from the island of St. Thomas (NA-106) as KP2/W7AUM. Monday, 2nd February from the island of Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA 0942) as PJ2/W7AUM. Friday, 6th February from Grand Cayman Island (NA-016, WLOTA 1042) as ZF2UM. QSL to W7AUM. [DX-World]

30/01/2015: Nobu, JA0JHQ will be active from the Chatham Islands (OC-038, WLOTA 1627, WWFF ZLFF-017) as ZL7/JA0JHQ during the short period of 30th January to 1st February, 2015. QRV mainly on 17 and 15 metre CW and SSB. Will try 10m CW. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. [DX-World]

LOOKING AHEAD -

02/02/2014: Mario, DL4MFM going to work on the 2nd and the 3rd of February 2015 from Fort Curt von Francois-Feste [von Francois Fort] (WCA V5-00005), Namibia. He plans to work as V5/DL4MFM. QSL via home call, Bureau or direct. [WCA]

25/02/2015: The Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club will be active again as K6PV/6 from Santa Catalina Island (NA-066, USi CA-016S, WLOTA 2912), Los Angeles County, California, between 25th February and 1st March. Team members include Ray N6HE, Jeff K6JW, Diana AI6DF, Clay AB9A, Joe NZ6L, Norm K6UU, Bob W6HIP, Mike AF6VT, Chris KA6WNK, Bill WA6ESC and Don KE6PMN. QRV on, or near, the usual IOTA frequencies on 160-10 metre SSB, CW, RTTY, maybe PSK-31. Activity will include the CQWW 160M SSB and NAQP RTTY Contests. QSL via K6PV direct - see address and instructions at QRZ.com. [rsgbiota.org]

28/02/2015: Mid Florida DX Association members Jim KG4JSZ/p, Tim KI4GMR/p, Tony N2MFT/4, Steve KS4WA/p will be active on 28th February from Honeymoon Island (NA-034, USi FL-017S), Pinellas county, Florida. QRV on the HF bands, on or near the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL via the individual operators home callsign. [rsgbiota.org]

25/04/2015: Carteret County Amateur Radio Society members Joe W03F, Keith KK4PLI, Pete W3ENK and Sterling N4WKG will be active as N4F on 25-26th April from Fort Macon State Park, Bogue Banks, Carteret county, North Carolina. Three events this weekend - North Carolina Science Day, Fort Macon On The Air and Bouge Banks [aka Emerald Island] (NA-112, USi NC-010S). QSL direct to W4YMI. Website: www.w4ymi.com/ [rsgbiota.org]

26/04/2015: Kilmarnock and Loudoun ARC will be active from the isle of Muck (IOSA NH06, SCOTIA DI18, WAB NM48, WW Loc. IO66UU), Inner Hebrides (EU-008), as MM0KLR between 26th April and 2nd May, 2015. Operators include Graham MM0GHM, Allan 2M0VNW, Arthur MM0DHQ, Allan GM3OZB, Gordon GM7WCO, Jason GM7VSB and Paul GM0PJD. QRV on 160m to 2m including 60m. QSL via Bureau or eQSL to MM0KLR. QSL direct to MM0GHM. Website: www.qrz.com/db/mm0klr [rsgbiota.org]

01/07/2015: Col, MM0NDX will once again make a short trip to Orkney Island (EU-009, IOSA OR01, SCOTIA OI14, WLOTA 1652) on 3-5 July. QRV holiday style on the HF bands as MM0NDX/p. QSL goes via IW7EGQ. [rsgbiota.org]

24/07/2015: Jan, ON7JA plans activity as JA4/ON7JA from Fune Island (AS-117), JA4 Hiroshima prefecture, between 24-28th July, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via the Bureau to ON7JA, no e-QSL. [rsgbiota.org]

SPECIAL EVENTS -

24/01/2015: Watch out for special event stations during 24th January and 1st February 2015 for the SOS Radio Week - drawing attention to maritime rescue organisations. For a list of participating stations (mainly from Great Britain, Ireland, Guernsey, Jersey, and the Isle of Man) visit: www.sosradioweek.org.uk/

24/01/2015: Special event station GB4TLB draws attention to the Royal National Lifeboat Institution during the SOS Radio Week (24-30th January). QRV on all HF bands and modes. QSL via the Bureau and eQSL. [DX Newsletter]

24/01/2015: Members of the Bittern DX Group of North Norfolk plan to operate from the Sheringham Lifeboat Station on 24-25th January and 31st January to 1st February with the special callsign GB5SLB (WW Loc. JO02OW, WAB TG14). QSL via M0SHK, direct or Bureau. [DX Newsletter]

U.S.A. Special Event Stations can be found at: www.arrl.org/contests/spev.html

LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

23/01-29/01 W3PV/VP9: Hamilton Island WLOTA:0201 QSL W3PV (d/B)
24/01-26/01 FM/SP7TF: Martinique Island WLOTA:1041 QSL H/c (d/B)
24/01-26/01 FM/SP7VC: Martinique Island WLOTA:1041 QSL H/c (d/B)
27/01-01/02 FG/F6ITD: Guadeloupe Island WLOTA:0644 QSL H/c (d/B)
27/01-03/02 J6/K2RPF: Sta. Lucia Island WLOTA:1336 QSL H/c (d/B)
27/01-03/02 J6/SP3CFM: Sta. Lucia Island WLOTA:1336 QSL H/c (d/B)
27/01-03/02 J6/SP3IPB: Sta. Lucia Island WLOTA:1336 QSL H/c (d/B)
27/01-03/02 J6/SP7TF: Sta. Lucia Island WLOTA:1336 QSL H/c (d/B)
27/01-03/02 J6/SP7VC: Sta. Lucia Island WLOTA:1336 QSL H/c (d/B)
27/01-03/02 J6/SQ7OYL: Sta. Lucia Island WLOTA:1336 QSL H/c (d/B)
27/01-01/02 TO6D: Guadeloupe Island WLOTA:0644 QSL F6ITD (d/B)
30/01-01/02 ZL7/JA0JHQ: Chatham Island WLOTA:1627 QSL H/c (d/B)

6 METRES & UP -

23/01-29/01 W3PV/VP9: Bermuda NA-005 Grid:FM72 6m CW/JT65 QSL W3PV (d/B)
24/01 FISTS Two Metre Activitiy 2m CW 1500z-1600z
24/01-25/01 SPAR Winter Field Day 6m-70cm All mode 24 1700z-24 1700z
24/01-26/01 ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes CW/Ph/6m & Up 24 1900z- 26 0359z
25/01 FISTS Two Metre Activitiy 2m CW 1000z-1100z
26/01-06/02 7Q7VW: Malawi Grid:KI60XB 6m 50.105MHz QSL DK2WV (d/B)
27/01 LY 2.4GHz Activity Contest Open/CW/SSB/FM 1800z-2159z
27/01 NRAU Microwave Activity Contest Open/SO/MO 1800z-2200z
27/01 RSGB 50MHz UKAC SO Fixed/Open 2000z-2230z
27/01 The 50MHz Open Cumulative 1800z-2200z
27/01 RSGB SHF UKAC SO Fixed/Open 2000z-2230z
27/01-01/02 FG/F6ITD: Guadeloupe NA-102 Grid:FK95 6m SSB/Digi QSL H/c (d)
27/01-01/02 TO6D: Guadeloupe NA-102 Grid:FK95 6m SSB/Digi QSL F6ITD (d)
28/01 SKCC Straight Key Sprint 6m class 0000z-0200z

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_jan.html

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SMIRK: www.smirk.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/

QSL INFO -

QSLs via Bureau: 7T50ARA, 9K2KH, 9K2MY, 9K2NO, 9K24P, 9M2/JE1SCJ, 9M4SLL, 9Q6AL, A45XR, AH0BT, C31MO, C37NL, C37UN, EA0JC, EX/HB9DUR, FJ/DK7LX, FM5CD, HB0WR, HF15NATO, HZ1FI, J88HL, JY9FC, LZ14IARU, OD5ZZ, OY1OF, P33W, PJ2/ON6DX, RT9K/P, S79YY, T88EC, TA1BJ, V5/DL9NDS, V63ZM, VP9/G7VJR, WH0AU, XV2JJ, YB69RI, ZD8RH and ZD8UW.

QSLs via Direct: 5H1Z/P [AF-087] (F6AML), BY4AA/4 [AS-136] (H/c), C21GC (LZ1GC), LU4ZS [AN-013] (LU4DXU), P4/W6HGF (H/c), PJ2/DL1NX (OQRS-H/c), PJ7PK (3Z9DX), SV1/IK0GDG/P [EU-060] (H/c), T88HZ (TA1HZ), V6P (JH1NBN), V6T (JH1NBN), VY0/RK0BWW/P (RW0BG), XR2T (OQRS/CE3OP), XX9R [AS-075] (EB7DX), YB4IR/8 [OC-157] (OQRS), YB4IR/8 [OC-224] (OQRS) and YB8XM/P [OC-076, 070, 224] (H/c).

QSLs via LoTW: 1A0C, 4U1WB, 9A4M, AA7V, AB9YC, AL9A, CE1UMY, DD8SM, DF0SX, DL6KVA, E77W, EA8CNR, EP6T, F5IN, HA6OA, HA8JV, HG7T, HG8C, K4FCG, K6LRN, KH6VV, KW9U, LZ1FY, N1RM, N4UA, N6RO, NS6T, OU2I, S56A, VA3DF, VA3EC, VA7ST, VE1EJ, VE3CX, VE3OI, VE4EA, VE5UF, VE7SZ, VE7TJF, VO1KVT, VY2LI, W7ZR, WN1G, WT9U, YO8SS, Z35F and ZF2PG.

BITS & PIECES -

9ANP IN DIFFERENT LANGUAGES -
Thanks to our friends, here are rules of Croatian National Parks Award in different languages:
http://9a.parks.sova-projekt.hr/Rules?language=ger
http://9a.parks.sova-projekt.hr/Rules?language=ita
http://9a.parks.sova-projekt.hr/Rules?language=cro
http://9a.parks.sova-projekt.hr/Rules?language=eng
http://9a.parks.sova-projekt.hr/Rules?language=rus
Polish language will be here for few days...
home: http://9a.parks.sova-projekt.hr
73, Emir 9A6AA

INTERNATIONAL MARITIME RADIO DAY 2015 -
The annual Maritime Radio Day is being held 14th April (1200z) to 15th April (2200z) this year, info at this site: www.trafficlist.net/mrd/

PACIFIC TOUR - 3D2AD, 5W7A, KH8/N9YU & KH6/N9YU -
Hrane, YT1AD will once again travel and operate from Central and South Pacific with an itinerary as follows: February, 03-08th, Fiji: 3D2AD February, 08-11th, Samoa: 5W7A February, 11-12th, American Samoa: KH8/N9YU February, 13-14th, Hawaii: KH6/N9YU QRV on 160-6m, SSB and CW. QSL via YT1AD. [DX-World]

YOUNGSTERS ON THE AIR ITALY 2015 -
It's already time for the 5th edition of the Youngsters On The Air summer event. In 2015 the youth radio camp will take place in Italy, organized by ARI (Associazione Radioamatori Italiani).

In this week teams of young radio amateurs from several countries will be participating in all kind of amateur radio activities. Think about workshops, contesting and ARDF, we will try to show many aspects of the radio hobby. Off course you will also get the chance to learn about other cultures, in the famous intercultural evening you will get the chance to try food and drinks from all participating countries. As we go to Italy, we will

also show you the country and Italian traditions.

This is just a little bit about what we are going to do in this event. It will be a great experience for all participants which they will never forget. To get a better feeling about this, have a look at the gallery from previous events.

When: 18-25 July 2015

Participants: each IARU member society is invited to take part with a team. A team consist of maximum 5 persons, 4 Persons with the age 15-25 years and one person is dedicated as team leader.

Location: Marina di Massa, Tuscany

Fees: travel costs to Pisa airport and Euro 25 per participant All other costs (accommodation, food, activities) will be covered, main funder of the event is IARU R1.

If your member society is interested to participate, please respond to italy@... by 27 January 2015 with sending in this Application form YOTA2015. There is a limit of 75 participants. Make sure you will apply in time. We will announce the participating countries shortly after the deadline.

For any questions, please contact italy@... [DxCoffee]

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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
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